

December 11, 2009

Parks and Recreation Commission

Minutes of the Meeting: December 9, 2009

@ 31 Arbor Way

1. Call To Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM by Mike Pantuosco (acting chairman). In attendance: Commission Members Bob Larew, Tom Stauffer, Hunter Giroux and Cyndi Costanza. Also in attendance were 10 members of the EHS Senior Sociology class as observers.
2. Correspondence: Taken up in Section 6.
3. Review/Approve Minutes from October 14, 2009 meeting: The members present approved the meeting minutes. Motion made by Hunter Giroux and seconded by Bob Larew. Vote 4-0 (with one abstain) in favor.
4. Public Forum: None.
5. Chairman's Report: Not present.
6. Recreation Director's Report:
 - A: The members present discussed at length the correspondence from Cody Giroux to the Rec Dept regarding the eligibility requirements for the Men's Basketball League. The reply letters from other league members were taken into consideration and the following was proposed by Hunter Giroux: Ellington Men's League would have a "guest" policy that would allow for a maximum of two players to be added to an Ellington Men's Basketball League roster who do not meet the previously established criteria. This policy would contribute to the league's viability in terms of providing some teams with an option of securing enough players to field a team during the league session. Hunter explained this "guest" policy is in effect in the Hartford business league and is there to prevent forfeits and the corresponding expense for gym time, referees etc. This motion was made by Hunter Giroux and seconded by Bob Larew. The vote was in favor 3-2. (In favor, Giroux, Stauffer, Costanza... Opposed Pantuosco & Larew)
 - B. USTA Recreation tennis Grant. The committee decided to address this at the next meeting when more information was available.
7. Committee Reports: None
8. Old Business: We discussed the attendance requirements for Fall Soccer and whether the appropriate paperwork was submitted for all Fall Travel Programs. The issue of CPR Training being a requirement and whether all those required to have CPR Training should be required to have hepatitis vaccination was discussed. The committee recommended that the Recreation Director deal with the Town Health Dept and Legal Dept to receive advice as to our legal obligations. The topic of releasing a swine flu statement from the Recreation Dept was deemed no longer necessary because such statements had already been released by school/town officials. The committee discussed charitable proposal to collect toys for a group based in Springfield affiliated with WNEC. Toys are to be

collected at Travel basketball games prior to Christmas. Cyndi Costanza will be responsible for distribution to a "day care" home in Springfield. Committee gave unanimous support.

9. New Business: None

10. Motion made to adjourn made by Mike Pantuosco and seconded by Hunter Giroux at 8:22. Vote 5-0 in favor.

Submitted
Mike Pantuosco RT